

## GRAHAM COUNTY WILL HAVE NEW COUNTY SEAT

Election Carries by Large Majority for Removal of County Seat--Safford Leads for New County Seat, but Lacks 80 Votes of Being Chosen

### NEW ELECTION TO BE CALLED BY BOARD

Safford and Pima Will be the Candidates for the New County Seat of Graham County, Having Received the Highest Number of Votes

#### THE TOTAL VOTE FOR NEW COUNTY SEAT

The total vote for each candidate town for new county seat, was as follows:	
Central	5
Pima	693
Safford	983
Thatcher	443
Total vote	2,124

The election for county seat removal and for the new county seat passed off quietly Tuesday, though there was no lack of enthusiasm of the workers for each candidate town at the polls of the different precincts. The vote for county seat removal showed that the people were in favor of a new county seat and court house, over 90 per cent voting in favor of removal.

The contest between each candidate town was lively and the workers stuck to their posts until the last vote was in. Good order and the best of feeling prevailed all day at every voting precinct in the county.

The people of Safford got to the polls early, the biggest part of the vote being cast by noon, and the same can be said of Thatcher and Pima. The people of each candidate town standing loyally by their colors, with the exception of Central, where only two votes were recorded in favor of its candidacy, Pima getting 102 votes and Thatcher 11 votes.

The total vote for a new county seat was 2,124. The majority vote necessary for election was 1,062. Safford was the nearest for a majority vote, having polled 983 votes, lacking 80 votes of being selected as the new county seat at the first election. Pima was second with a total vote of 693 and Thatcher came third with 443 votes.

It will be necessary to hold another election, which will be between Safford and Pima, the two towns receiving the highest number of votes.

The board of supervisors will meet Monday, May 24th, and canvass the returns, after which the board will order a new election, which must be held not less than thirty days nor more than sixty days from the date of such order.

The result of the vote on the question, "Shall the county seat be removed from Solomonville?" was as follows:

	YES	NO
Safford	619	10
Hubbard	71	—
Lebanon	—	—
San Jose	4	5
Solomonville	52	65
Pima	275	41
Thomas	134	10
Bonita	120	3
Artesia	—	—
Thatcher	307	—
Eden	79	9
Stanley Butte	19	3
Klondyke	102	9
Bryce	50	5
Totals	1,823	160

The precinct vote cast for each

### Little Girl Has Narrow Escape

Genevieve, aged 6 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jacobson, had a very narrow escape from death Wednesday morning. While sitting on the hay baler, the feeder caught her dress and she was being drawn into the machine, when Will Sowell saw her danger and ran to her and tore off her dress, liberating her from the feeder. In another minute she would have been crushed in the machine.

#### Dr. C. W. Stone

Will return to the valley about May 1st. Those needing reliable work may have it done right in respect. adv-8-1f

### How Mrs. Harrod Got Rid of Her Stomach Trouble

"I suffered with stomach trouble for years and tried everything I heard of, but the only relief I got was temporary until last spring I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and procured a bottle of them at the drug store. I got immediate relief from that dreadful heaviness after eating and from pains in the stomach," writes Mrs. Linda Harrod, Fort Wayne, Ind. For sale by Safford Drug Co. adv-12-4t

WANTED—Secondhand furniture and a medium sized cook stove. Apply H. E. KIDDER, Fairview, Arizona, care of Grand Reef Milling Company. adv-13-2t

Bert Rupkey was a visitor in town Sunday as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. V. B. Callison.

### AUTOMOBILE TRIP

To the California Expositions Interestingly Described by LeRoi C. Snow

The following letter was received from LeRoi C. Snow, who, accompanied by his wife and son, is making the trip by automobile to San Diego and San Francisco, Cal., to attend the expositions.

Mr. Snow will send in a weekly letter to THE GUARDIAN, describing the country, roads and other incidents of the trip. His first letter is given herewith:

AGUA CALIENTE, ARIZONA, May 9, 1915.

EDITOR GUARDIAN:—We reached Agua Caliente at 4:15 this afternoon, just 300 miles from home, in two and a half days. We have encountered some of the very best and some of the very worst roads imaginable, but have had glorious weather and not one minute's trouble or delay of any kind.

We left home May 7th at 10:00 a. m., drove slowly to Ft. Thomas, waited an hour for the freight train and shipped the car across the Gila river to San Carlos. The road was good into Globe, a drive of an hour and a half.

Next morning we left Globe at 8:00 o'clock and had a most delightful drive of three hours to Roosevelt. This great reservoir with the wonderful dam and immense volume of tumbling, foaming water was such an impressive sight that we remained nearly two hours.

We spent nearly six hours bumping over the very rough and rocky road of 80 miles to Phoenix.

Today we have come 93 miles from Phoenix to Agua Caliente. The first 60 miles may be considered fairly good, but the last thirty miles are very bad. We have passed four cars by the way (all large cars), with broken axles, springs, etc. We are driving very slowly, which, perhaps, is the reason we have had no trouble.

Tomorrow we go to Yuma, 117 miles from this place. Part of the roads which are now bad and rough will be smooth later, but those which are now smooth will be deep with dust and full of bad ruts and holes. Little work is being done on the roads. Perhaps a dozen cars a day are going through. One large car from Buffalo, N. Y., has just arrived here from Phoenix. About half the people traveling in autos camp out, which, of course, has some advantages.

Shall write you again next week from San Diego, Cal.

Very respectfully, L. C. SNOW.

### DEATH OF G. W. CHESSE

Well Known Citizen Dies at His Home Here Wednesday

George Washington Chesser, aged 66 years, died at his home, corner of Ninth and K streets, Wednesday afternoon, at 3:40 o'clock. Mr. Chesser contracted la grippe several months ago, which developed into consumption, from which he died. Mr. Chesser and his family came here in 1908 from Val Verde county, Texas, and engaged in the hotel business, being the proprietor of the Chesser House.

He is survived by his widow and seven children: Mrs. Johnson, Mills county, Texas; Mrs. L. O. Peppers, Hurley, N. M.; Mrs. W. B. Norton, Ray, Arizona; David and Wallace W. Chesser, Roswell, N. M.; Leroy M. Chesser, Bisbee, Arizona; and Walter Chesser, Miami, Arizona.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon. Services were held at the Union cemetery and were conducted by Rev. G. L. Horene.

WANTED, A PARTNER—To go in pool hall business. Good location. Only small capital necessary. A good investment. Address P. O. Box 144, Safford, Arizona. adv-13-2t

### Bond Election Notice

Notice is hereby given that a school election will be held on Saturday, June 12, 1915, between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., at the postoffice building, in Fort Thomas, Arizona, for the purpose of bonding District No. Seven (7), Graham County, Arizona, in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), to erect and furnish suitable school buildings and purchase a site for the same if necessary. Judges of the said election will be: H. M. Woods, G. W. Healy and G. J. Hatch.

These bonds will be of the denomination of five hundred dollars, will run twenty years, at six per cent interest per annum, and will not be sold for less than par.

(Signed) L. J. BROWN, Clerk of Board District No. 7. adv-13-4t

### A. L. Winsor

#### Dies from Injuries

A. L. Winsor, aged 70 years, a pioneer of the Gila valley, died at his home on a ranch near Geronimo, last Thursday, as a result of injuries received by a fall from a wagon.

Mr. Winsor started out from Geronimo Thursday afternoon with a load of lumber. He was nearsighted and while driving along the road, turned the team into a ditch. The jolt threw him under the wagon, the wheels passing over his body, crushing in his chest.

A passing neighbor found him lying unconscious and brought him to his ranch. Dr. McWhirt was summoned from Safford and he rendered medical aid, but his injuries were fatal and he died about midnight.

"Uncle Abe," as he was familiarly known, was one of the first settlers of the Gila valley and was engaged in the freighting business in the early days. He took part in all movements for the public benefit, sacrificing personal interests for community good. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as a Union soldier.

Funeral services were held in the Emory Meeting House Saturday. The speakers were John F. Nash, President Kimball and E. C. Phillips, life long friends.

Interment was made in the Emory cemetery.

### Engineer Will Furnish Estimate

Lawrence C. Fay, the San Diego engineer, who has been engaged by the Safford Chamber of Commerce to make an examination of the Gila river and furnish an estimate as to the probable cost of dredging a channel that will protect the land adjoining it from further washing away, arrived in Safford Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Fay has been over the ground near the Pima ranch and is now in a position to furnish the board of directors of the Safford Chamber of Commerce a report on his work, and will recommend some plan of action. In bringing Mr. Fay from San Diego, the Safford Chamber of Commerce has again proven its value to the entire Gila valley, and it is, indeed, a narrow-minded citizen who will say that the Safford Chamber of Commerce is not working for the interest of every citizen of Graham county.

### To Observe "Kind to Animals" Week

Announcement is made by President Andrew Kimball that the American Humane Association has set the week, May 17th to 23d, as the "Be Kind to Animals Week," which is to be observed all over the country.

Sunday, May 23d, is to be observed in all the churches throughout the land as "Humane Sunday." President Kimball has been appointed a member of the State Committee of the Arizona Branch of the American Humane Association.

J. C. Robinson, of Los Angeles, Cal., came up Monday from Globe for a few days' visit and greet old friends.

Mrs. Dan Olney came in Tuesday from her home at Stein Pass and will visit for a short time with her parents.

On Friday, May 7th, a baby boy came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ringer. Mother and son are reported doing nicely.

### SUSPENDS INITIATION FEE

Past Commander Chas. Kreuger, of Safford Tent, No. 8, K. O. T. M., announces that the lodge has suspended the initiation fee for membership to the Safford Lodge of Macabees until June 1st, thus allowing all those who wish to join this splendid beneficial organization an opportunity to do so without paying an initiation fee. For further information apply to Chas. Kreuger, Safford.

Madison, Wis. Jan. 1, 1913.

M. D. Reynolds says:—

This is to certify that I have been a great sufferer from rheumatism since 1894. Contracted the disease while working with a snow plow on the railroad. For several years I have been obliged to use crutches a great part of the time. Having used three boxes of the Meritol Rheumatism Powders, I have thrown away the crutches and am now almost fully recovered. It certainly has done wonders for me and I heartily recommend it.

M. D. Reynolds. Safford Drug Co., agents. Prices 50 c., \$1.00. adv-12-4t

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### THE GILA ACADEMY

Holds Graduating Exercises. Dr. von KleinSmid Delivers Address

The graduating exercises of the Gila Academy took place at the church last Thursday evening. Every available seat was taken, as many people from all over the valley were in attendance. The church was elaborately decorated with roses and class pennants.

About 8:00 o'clock the graduates marched up either aisle, preceded by two small girls as color bearers. The program was as follows: "Moonlight" Academy Choir Invocation C. M. Layton Chorus Graduating Girls Address of Welcome Anthony Lee Chorus The Class Valedictory Wilford Buffington Presentation of Diplomas Dr. von KleinSmid

The graduates were: Wilford Buffington and Maud Nuttall, of Pima; Tom Talley, of Graham; Priscilla Phillips, Bessie Layton, Annie Nash, Carrie Layton, Rose Morris, Lavita Nelson, David Heywood, Anthony Lee, Lyman Chlarson, of Thatcher, and Seth Larson and Jennie Echols, of Fairview.

### Best Thing for a Bilious Attack

"On account of my confinement in the printing office I have for years been a chronic sufferer from indigestion and liver trouble. A few weeks ago I had an attack that was so severe that I was not able to go to the case for two days. Failing to get any relief from any other treatment, I took three of Chamberlain's Tablets and the next day I felt like a new man," writes H. C. Bailey, Editor Carolina News, Chapin, S. C. For sale by Safford Drug Co. adv-12-4t

### HERMAN FOSTER VERY ILL

A telegram was received yesterday morning from Marlin Hot Springs, Texas, by B. F. Foster, announcing the serious illness of his son, Herman, at that place and Mrs. Foster left at once for the bedside of her son.

### Whooping Cough

"When my daughter had whooping cough she coughed so hard at one time that she had hemorrhage of the lungs. I was terribly alarmed about her condition. Seeing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy so highly recommended, I got her a bottle and it relieved the cough at once. Before she had finished two bottles of this remedy she was entirely well," writes Mrs. S. F. Grimes, Crooksville, Ohio. For sale by Safford Drug Co. adv-12-4t

### TO SERVE LORD'S SUPPER

Next Sunday morning, at the M. E. Church, we will administer the Lord's Supper to people of every faith, who may desire to take part in the celebration of Our Lord's Death. You are cordially invited. REV. G. L. HORENE.

### Whooping Cough

Well—everyone knows the effect of pine forests on coughs. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey is a remedy which brings quick relief for whooping cough, loosens the mucous, soothes the lining of the throat and lungs, and makes the coughing spells less severe. A family with growing children should not be without it. Keep it handy for all coughs and colds. 25 cents at your drugist. Electric Bitters a spring tonic. adv-4-no2

### For Sale

Eighty-three acres of best farming land in the Gila valley, with five shares San Jose Canal; located one mile above Solomonville; four-room house; hay barn (500 tons of hay); hay scales; corral and stables; 70 acres in alfalfa, 13 acres in wheat, good for 500 sacks. First cutting of hay averages 150 tons; second, 155 tons; third, 145 tons; fourth, 140 tons; fifth, 135 tons; sixth, 100 tons. Price, \$150.00 per acre, cash; on time, \$175.00 per acre. Apply to CASIMIRO GARCIA, Solomonville, Arizona. adv-11-3t

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Dowdle came over from their ranch at Klondyke yesterday morning to attend the closing exercises of Safford School. They will return to Klondyke tomorrow.

### Imaginary Heart Trouble

Do you have pains in the region of the heart? Does your heart thump? Its terrible pounding alarms you? What is wrong? Do you believe these symptoms mean heart trouble? Organic diseases of the heart very seldom occasion much pain. Nearly all of these pains are caused by some derangement of the stomach. Meritol Tonic Digestive is especially recommended for indigestion and dyspepsia, and for restoring the stomach to its normal functions and—no more "heart disease." Safford Drug Co., exclusive agents. Price, \$1.00. adv-12-4t

### Big Sale in Layton

A big sale in Layton, one block east of the Church house. Everything in stock discounted from two to fifty per cent. Come early and you will find the right place to do your trading. The sale opens Monday, May 17th, at 8:00 o'clock a. m., and closes at 7:00 o'clock p. m., and will continue for two weeks. JOHN D. HARRISON, Proprietor. adv-13-2t

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

New System Urged for Securing Economic Expenditure of Funds

The attentions of the boards of trustees in Graham county is called to the following circular:

THATCHER, ARIZONA, May 11, 1915.

DEAR MR. TRUSTEE: Maricopa county has adopted a system whereby the several districts send in a list of the supplies needed for a year to the county school superintendent, who advertises for bids on these supplies and awards same to the lowest bidder.

A comparison of prices taken from the records of Supt. Riggins' office in Maricopa county, shows that out of twenty-four different articles, ranging from paper to desks, the cost under the "competitive bid system" was \$68.31; under the "agent's retail prices," \$117.05.

The advantages obtained under the competitive bid system are obvious. Wholesale prices and better freight rates are obtained. The saving to Maricopa county each year is about 40 per cent, an item worthy our serious consideration for the proper economy in school funds.

In keeping with this plan, the trustees present at the meeting of May 1st, voted that trustees furnish the county superintendent with a list of supplies needed for the year, and that the superintendent then advertise for bids; bids to be opened about June 1st (exact date to be set later), at the superintendent's office, in the presence of any trustees that desire to be present at the time. Bids are then to be let to the lowest bidder and goods to be shipped to point in county that will make greatest saving on freight.

There is no law to compel the adoption of this system, but the general interest that school boards have in the proper and economical expenditure of school funds, we believe, will elicit a hearty cooperation of all trustees of this county. Send in the list of supplies to this office at once, do not delay, that the general list may be made up and advertised for bids.

We believe that we will be able to make up a car load of supplies and thereby secure the lowest freight rates possible. Safford will order about \$5,000.00 worth of supplies for their district and high school.

Please be prompt in sending in your list. If you do not order, let us hear at once from you setting forth reasons for not joining us in this move.

Yours truly, S. C. HEYWOOD, County Superintendent.

### To Repair Road Near Thomas

The Ocean-to-Ocean Highway between Ft. Thomas and Geronimo, for a distance of five miles, is in pretty bad condition for travel and plans are under way to make the necessary repairs to put this road in good shape.

W. C. Myers has been instrumental in securing lumber for the bridges from the State fund through the board of supervisors. An estimate of the amount of lumber needed for the bridges will be made and the work will begin at an early date.

### PHOENIX VISITORS

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## GERMAN TORPEDO SINKS LUSITANIA

Over 1,000 People Go Down to Watery Graves When Big Vessel Is Sunk

### MANY AMERICANS LOSE LIVES

United States Faces Greatest Crisis Since the European War Commenced

The Cunard liner Lusitania, which sailed out of New York Saturday, May 1st, with more than 2,000 persons aboard, lies at the bottom of the ocean off the Irish coast. She was sunk by a German submarine, which sent a torpedo crashing into her side, while her passengers, seemingly confident that the vessel could elude the German under-water craft, were having luncheon.

The Lusitania was steaming along about ten miles off Old Head Kinsale, on the last leg of her voyage to Liverpool, when about 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Friday, May 7th, a submarine suddenly appeared and so far as all reports go, fired a torpedo without warning at the steamer.

The powerful agent of destruction tore through the vessel's side, causing a terrific explosion. Almost immediately great volumes of water poured through the openings and the Lusitania listed. The boats, which had already been swung out on the davits, were dropped overboard and were speedily filled with passengers who had been appalled by the desperate attack.

A wireless call for help was sent out and immediately rescue boats of all kinds were sent out both from the neighboring points along the coast and Queenstown, but within fifteen minutes, as one survivor estimated, "certainly within half an hour, the Lusitania had disappeared.

Where Great Britain's fastest merchant vessel went down, Old Head Kinsale, is a landmark that has brought joy to many travelers, as it always stood a sign from the shore that the voyage across the Atlantic was at an end.

The line, whose boat it has been that it never lost a passenger in the Atlantic service, has now lost a ship that dodged the lurking enemy off the Nantucket Light the day after war had been declared and later started the world by flying the Stars and Stripes.

The Lusitania carried 2,067 souls, of whom 1,251 were passengers. Of these 184 were Americans. The total number of survivors was 658. Among the Americans who lost their lives were: Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, Elbert Hubbard and wife, Charles Frohman and wife.

The German government claims that the Lusitania was armed with guns and had large quantities of war munitions in her cargo. Germany also claims that she repeatedly warned the people of the danger in traveling in the Lusitania by advertisements in the newspapers.

A draft of a communication to be sent to Germany was sent to the cabinet Tuesday, and approved unanimously. While no official announcement was made, it was learned that the United States would present and insist upon an explanation of the series of incidents which have occurred since the proclamation of a war zone around the British Isles—the sinking of the Faubus, causing the death of Leon C. Thresher, an American citizen; the attack by German airmen on the American steamer Cushing; the torpedoing of the American steamer Gulfright, and, finally, the destruction, without warning, of the Lusitania, with a toll of more than a thousand lives.

### Woman's Club Social Meeting

The social meeting of the Woman's Club will take place Friday afternoon, May 21st, at the home of Mrs. E. S. Wickersham.

The ladies of Safford are cordially invited to attend.

### Lame Back

Lame back is usually due to rheumatism of the muscles of the back. Hard working people are most likely to suffer from it. Relief may be had by massaging the back with Chamberlain's Liniment for two or three times a day. Try it. For sale by Safford Drug Co. adv-12-4t

### Buy Gila Valley Grown Products.